Preliminary Amendment

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For: METHODS FOR COVALENTLY ATTACHING PROTEINS TO SUBSTRATES

Remarks

Amendments made to the specification were only to correct typographical errors. No new subject matter has been added.

Conclusion

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' Representatives at the belowlisted telephone number, if there are any questions regarding this Preliminary Amendment or if prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

Respectfully submitted for Nelson et al.

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